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## Banks.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$7,500,000. Reserve Fund, \$4,400,000. Reserve for Equalization, \$400,000. Reserve Liability, \$7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—A. P. McEwen, Esq.  
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.  
" 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.  
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, August 25, 1884. 1428

## NOTICE.

### RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.
- 3.—Sums less than \$1. or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year.
- 4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositor's own account.
- 5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.
- 6.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 7.—Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any value.
- 8.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 10.—Cheques containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 11.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.
- 12.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 715

WITH Reference to the above, BUSINESS will be commenced on the 1st MAY, 1884.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 716

## Bank.

### THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884, under the Companies Act 1862, to 1883.)

LONDON BANKERS:  
UNION BANK OF LONDON, Ltd.  
BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.  
At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.  
" 6 " " 4 " "  
" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.  
J. MELVILLE MATSON, Manager.  
Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1555

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

MR. R. B. DALTON SAYLE was Admitted a PARTNER in my Business from the 1st Instant, and the Name or Style of the Firm in future will be "W. R. Loxley & Co."

W. R. LOXLEY.  
Hongkong, January 13, 1885. 76

### NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. FREDERICK DELANO HITCH in our Firm in Hongkong, China and elsewhere ceased on the 30th June last.

RUSSELL & Co.  
China, 1st January, 1885. 14

### NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the Undersigned CRASHE and Mr. FREDERICK DELANO HITCH is hereby dissolved.

WILLIAM LEGGE, E. JONES HUGHES.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1885. 12

### NOTICE.

REFERRING to the Notice of the DISSOLUTION of the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE, I will continue the Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER in my own Name from this date.

WILLIAM LEGGE.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1885. 13

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E. JONES HUGHES.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1885. 9

## Intimations.

VICTORIA HOTEL,  
Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbor and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c.; has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East.

The accommodation and service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied Table d'Hôte is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall. The Hotel also contains handsome and comfortable reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms.

The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken.  
Messrs. DORABEE & HING KEE, PROPRIETORS.  
Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1559

### CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

DEBENTURED LOAN FOR \$140,000.

COUPONS for INTEREST falling due on 1st December, 1884, will be Paid on Presentation at the Office of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Hongkong, on and after that date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.  
Hongkong, December 31, 1884. 17

### NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

ALL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the Liquidators of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited.

Holders of Notes will be required to furnish to the Liquidators of the Bank, a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of Issue, Number and Amount of each Note produced.

Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the Office of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

For the OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION,  
J. MELVILLE MATSON, By his Attorney.  
H. HOWARD TAYLOR.  
Hongkong, August 2, 1884. 1235

## For Sale.

### A YALA & Co., REIMS.

#### FOR SALE

THE CHAMPAGNE of the above Firm.

#### PRICE:

\$19.00.....per dozen; Quarts.

\$21.00....." Pints.

#### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

Sole Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1885. 83

### ROBERT LANG & Co.,

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,

QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

#### HATS.

A large assortment of Christy's Felt Hats, always in Stock in all the newest styles.

#### CLOTHING.

Tweeds. Coatings. Trouserings. Serges. Flannels.

#### SHIRTS.

Having completed our arrangements we can now make to order White Dress Shirts equal to home manufacture.

#### HOSIERY, SCARFS, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS,

#### BOOTS AND SHOES.

Hongkong, January 6, 1885. 38

### W. POWELL & Co.,

AN ENTIRELY NEW STOCK OF LADIES' FANCY WORK, consisting of:—  
Lengths for MANTLE BOARDS, BRACKETS, GIPSY TABLES, TABLE CLOTHS, WOOL-WORK SLIPPERS and CUSHIONS for filling in. GENTLEMEN'S BRACES and TENNIS BELTS for Embroidering. EMBROIDERY SILK, KNITTING SILK, CREWEL SILK and FLOSETTE. CORDS and TASSELS, all colors.

Also, a Specially Selected STOCK of FRENCH GLASS WARE, consisting of:—  
SPERMINE, BOWLS, Specimen GLASSES, &c., &c.  
POCKET BOOKS, CARD, CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES.  
ILLUMINATED ALBUMS.

Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 67

## Intimations.

### DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.  
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon Dentist, (FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LATELY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROZENS.)  
At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROZENS, No. 1, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Perfect adjustment of ARTIFICIAL TEETH by Atmospheric Friction without pain or inconvenience. Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address,  
1, DUDDELL STREET,  
(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)  
Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 60

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,

22, PRATA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, COCK JACKETS, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. 256

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

REMOVAL OF QUARANTINE AT ITALIAN PORTS AND MARSEILLES.

THE QUARANTINE formerly imposed on Arrivals from the East at the above Ports has been ABOLISHED, and Passengers can now proceed through to LONDON with the Mail via BRINDISI.

A. MEIVER, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 71

D. K. GRIFFITH & Co., MANUFACTURERS of the LONDON PATENT WATER, &c.

Have Removed from the BRACKENFIELD ARCADE to larger Premises  
1, DUDDELL STREET,

Where they continue to Supply:  
SODA WATER, LEMONADE, TONIC, RASPBERRYADE, SANGAPARILLA, &c., &c., &c.

At the same Moderate Charges.  
D. K. GRIFFITH, Proprietor.  
Hongkong, July 28, 1884. 1246

## Intimations.

### NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

(IN LIQUIDATION.)

NOTICE is hereby given that FINAL DIVIDENDS are now declared being at the Rate of THIRTY-ONE TAIKES per Share and SIX PER CENT. on SHAREHOLDERS CONTRIBUTIONS during the year 1883.

VARIES will be payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after the 12th Instant.

For the NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,  
J. KENNARD DAVIS, Secretary.

Shanghai, 7th January, 1885. 70

### NOTICE.

THE MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. CO. having taken over the NAGASAKI DOCK, SLIP and ENGINEERING WORKS are now prepared to Dock and Repair VESSELS, at moderate rates.

THE DOCK is one of the largest and best in the East, being 431 feet long and 89 feet broad, and having a depth of water on blocks at spring tides of 27 feet and deep water 22 feet.

THE SHOPS contain Machine-tools of all descriptions and compound Engines up to 1,000 horse-power. The heaviest-class of work can be undertaken at the shortest notice.

Powerful lifting SHEARS are being erected.

For further Particulars, apply to  
H. J. H. TRIPP, Agent.  
Hongkong, December 13, 1884. 2185

Mr. Andrew Wind,

News Agent, &c.

133, NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, is authorized to receive Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., for the China Mail, Overland China Mail, and China Review.

## Insurances.

### NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Godowns at 1 per cent. net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, May 10, 1881. 939

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to GUARANTEE POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Hongkong, November 5, 1884. 855

## Entertainment.

### CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

MONSIEUR SAUVLET has the honour to announce that HE WILL GIVE

(Under the distinguished Patronage of H.E. SIR GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, G.C.M.G.)  
A GRAND CONCERT

in the ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL,

ON THURSDAY EVENING, the 22nd Instant,

when he will be kindly assisted by LADIES & GENTLEMEN AMATEURS.

#### PROGRAMME.

- 1.—Overture. ("Fidelio," (arranged for eight hands on two pianos). Beethoven.
- 2.—Part Song. ("Beloved," (arranged for two voices). Chopin.
- 3.—Solo Piano. ("Sonata in C" (arranged for two pianos). Beethoven.
- 4.—Serenade. ("La Serenata," (arranged for two voices). Chopin.
- 5.—Solo Piano. ("Sonata in C" (arranged for two pianos). Beethoven.
- 6.—Song. ("Alia stella," (arranged for two voices). Chopin.
- 7.—Violin Solo. ("Reverie," (arranged for two voices). Chopin.

INTERVAL OF 10 MINUTES.

- 8.—Overture. ("The Magic Flute," (arranged for eight hands on two pianos). Mozart.
- 9.—Recit. and "King's Song," (arranged for two voices). Chopin.
- 10.—Solo Piano. ("Sonata in C" (arranged for two pianos). Beethoven.
- 11.—Part Song. ("Warum bist du so Fern," (arranged for two voices). Chopin.
- 12.—Solo Piano. ("Sonata in C" (arranged for two pianos). Beethoven.

A NEW CONCERT SEMI-GRAND PIANO by COLLARD & COLLAND will be used by MONSIEUR SAUVLET, which is now on SALE at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

ADMISSION.—TWO DOLLARS.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 p.m.

A Plan of the St. Andrew's Hall may be seen and Seats Reserved at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

Hongkong, January 13, 1885. 75

### THE GAIETY COMPANY.

Sole Proprietor, Geo. NORVILLE.

FROM THE THEATRE ROYAL, Calcutta; and THE GAIETY THEATRE, Bombay.

Patrons: T. R. H. THE DUCHESS and DUCHESS, of Connaught. His Excellency THE MARQUIS of Ripon, His Excellency SIR JAMES FERGUSON, &c., &c., &c.

WILL BE POSSIBLE GIVE TWO PERFORMANCES, en-route, for Shanghai.

THE FIRST PERFORMANCE will be GILBERT'S CLASSICAL COMEDY, entitled

PYGMALION & GALATEA.

AT THE SECOND PERFORMANCE, will be presented

A HUSBAND IN CLOVER, And the

ORIENTAL BUREAUQUE BROWN & THE BRAHMIN.

Fell Particulars will be duly announced on the arrival of the Company.

The Plan of the Theatre may be seen and Seats secured at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S.

Hongkong, December 11, 1884. 2076

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

COURSE, DISTANCE, AND AVERAGE SPEED TABLES, FROM LONDON, via THE SUEZ CANAL, INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN, &c., WITH VARIOUS OTHER TABLES AND NOTES, BY W. A. GULLAND.

To be obtained at the "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE, Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., FALCONER & Co.

Hongkong, September 2, 1884. 1475

## FOR SALE.

A BOROUGHES & WATTS' SOLID MAROON BILLIARD TABLE, Complete with CUES, POOL, PYRAMID, &c., BALLS, MARKING BOARD, RESTS, EXTRA CLOTH, &c., &c.

Just arrived per Glenloch.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, November 4, 1884. 1845

## To Let.

### TO LET.

COLLEGE CHAMBERS' (late Hotel de l'UNIVERS), Single Rooms or SUITES of APARTMENTS. Nos. 4 and 15, HOLLYWOOD ROAD. No. 258, PRATA CENTRAL. No. 44, GRAHAM STREET.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, December 24, 1884. 2165

### STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE in Commodious and well ventilated GODOWNS on his New Premises in DUDDELL STREET, next to the ORIENTAL BANK.

G. R. LAMBERT. Hongkong, December 27, 1884. 2178

### TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 32, CAIRNS ROAD. Possession from 1st January, 1885.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAFLAICH & Co. Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2164

## Notices to Consignees.

### SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Brockschire, RICHARD, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wanchai No. 3, behind the premises known as 'Blue Buildings,' whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 10th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 9, 1885. 50

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Glenloch having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY, the 10th Instant. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 17th Instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January 10, 1885. 53

STEAMSHIP DUMNIAH.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship Indus, from London, Antwerp and Bordeaux, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 2 p.m. To-day (Sunday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after Saturday, the 17th January, 1885, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at 1 cent. per package per diem.

All Claims must be sent in to me before the 19th January, 1885, or they will











## Mails.

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF POKI will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama and Honolulu, on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 5 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China, Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10% will be made from Return Fare. Pre-paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Office in the United States, and to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 604, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER, Agent.

Hongkong, January 10, 1885. 56



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, GENOA, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON; ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship, *PERSEUS*, Captain J. C. BARNES, will start for this office on TUESDAY, the 20th January, at 4 p.m.

Cargo will be received on board until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Parcels and Special Goods at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing.

Silk and Valuable Goods for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

For further Particulars, regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

Passengers desirous of insuring their baggage can do so on application at the Company's Office.

N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for MARSEILLES.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 7, 1885. 39

## Intimations.

## The Overland China Mail.

SUBSCRIBERS to *The Overland China Mail* will be glad to learn that arrangements have been made for publishing that journal weekly in future instead of fortnightly as at present.

This change, which will be permanent, has been made simply to keep pace with the times. During the existing troubles in the Far East it is also of special importance that a weekly budget of China news should be prepared. Under the present arrangements political and commercial news, perhaps of the greatest interest, may be kept back for a fortnight. The change will not only be welcomed by subscribers at home, but also by those at the Coast Ports and in the interior, who find the *Overland* a more convenient form of newspaper for their use than the daily press.

The *Overland* will be in future a weekly newspaper for the Far East, with special commercial news, and special tables of shipping and other information, complete for the week. The various reports and other news will be given fully as they appear in the *China Mail*.

At the subscription will remain the same as hitherto (\$3 per quarter), the change will be made without additional expense to subscribers. Single copies will be sold for thirty cents, a reduction of 20 cents on the present price.

The attention of advertisers is directed to a weekly newspaper, which is circulated among old China hands and others, both at home and in the Far East, who do not take the daily journals.

The *Overland China Mail* will be regularly posted as hitherto from the *China Mail* Office to subscribers, on their addresses being forwarded to us.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, October 17, 1884.

FREDERICK ALGAR, COLONIAL NEWSPAPER & COMMUNICATIONS AGENT, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, LONDON.

THE *Overland* Press supplied with News-papers, Books, Types, Ink, Presses, Papers, Correspondence, Letters, and any European Goods on London terms.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS. Colonial Newspapers forwarded to the office are regularly filed for the inspection of the Public.

## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in *cents*, and are for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the weight be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents. The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union. The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chili, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Guiana, Surinam, Guyana, Honduras, Borneo, Labuan, Hawaii, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries. Letters, 10 cents per oz. Post Cards, 5 cents each. Registered, 10 cents. Newspapers, 2 cents each. Books, Patterns and Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

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